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**Subject:** RE: FYI - (2) FEMA allocates \$3.7 billion for PRASA works and improvements

That should help – thanks for forwarding!

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## Prasa to Receive \$3.7 Billion in Federal Reconstruction Funding

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By *Caribbean Business* on January 5, 2021

## U.S. Rep. González Colón makes announcement

SAN JUAN – Resident Commissioner Jenniffer González Colón announced that the federal government approved \$3.7 billion for the reconstruction of Puerto Rico's aqueduct system. The administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Pete Gaynor, called the congresswoman Tuesday to inform her of the approval.

"Grateful to President Donald Trump with another multibillion-dollar allocation of federal funds to advance the reconstruction of Puerto Rico: \$3.7 billion for works and improvements for the [Puerto Rico] Aqueduct and Sewer Authority [Prasa]. These funds are necessary to build a modern and efficient infrastructure for our Puerto Rican people," the U.S. representative said, adding that Gaynor told her the official notification will be made by the White House later Tuesday.

In her media release, González recalled the September agreement between FEMA and the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (Prepa), for \$10.5 billion, and the agreement with the Department of Education, for \$2.3 billion for rebuilding work.

"The agreement to fix schools, power lines, and energy distribution in Puerto Rico represents the largest funding allocation in FEMA history," the release reads.

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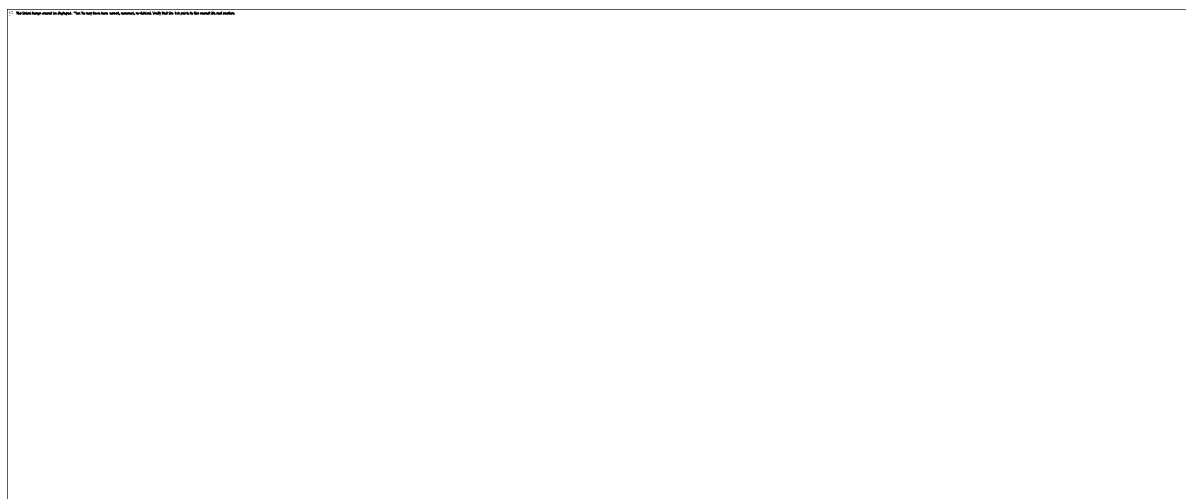
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**FEMA allocates \$3.7 billion for PRASA works and improvements**  
**The billion-dollar federal funding allocation is expected to help with the reconstruction of the aqueduct system.**

Primera Hora

- Also in El Vocero

January 5, 2021



The federal government approved \$3.7 billion for the reconstruction of Puerto Rico's aqueduct system, both Resident Commissioner Jenniffer Gonzalez and Governor Pedro Pierluisi announced this afternoon. Both officials said they received a call from FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor to inform them of the approval.

"Grateful to President Donald Trump with another billion dollar allocation of federal funds to advance the reconstruction of Puerto Rico: \$3.7 billion for works and improvements for the Aqueduct and Sewer Authority. These funds are necessary to build a modern and efficient infrastructure for our Puerto Rican people," the commissioner said in writing after speaking with Administrator Gaynor, who informed her that the official notification will be made by the White House later today.

This agreement joins that announced by U.S. President Donald Trump in September, which approved the agreement between the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (Prepa) for \$10.5 billion and the agreement with the Department of Education for \$2.3 billion for reconstruction work. The agreement to fix schools, power lines and energy distribution in Puerto Rico represents the largest allocation of funds in FEMA's history.

The \$3.7 billion allocation to Prasa could mean the dredging of the Carraizo reservoir, which was awaiting the allocation of funds needed to begin the work. The Carraizo reservoir serves much of the metropolitan area and some towns in the east of the island.

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### **Jennifer Gonzalez announces \$3.7 billion for Aqueducts**

**FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor called the resident commissioner to inform her of the approval.**

NotiCel/CyberNews

Jan 05, 2021

Resident Commissioner Jennifer Gonzalez Colon announced Tuesday that the federal government approved \$3.7 billion for the reconstruction of Puerto Rico's aqueduct system.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Pete Gaynor called the congresswoman to inform her of the approval.

"We are grateful to President Donald Trump for another billion dollar allocation of federal funds to move forward with the reconstruction of Puerto Rico: \$3.7 billion for works and improvements for the Aqueduct and Sewer Authority. These funds are necessary to build a modern and efficient infrastructure for our Puerto Rican people," the commissioner said in a written communication after speaking with Administrator Gaynor, who informed her that the official notification will be made by the White House later.

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"I received a call from FEMA Administrator Peter Gaynor, who informed me of the \$3.7 billion allocation for PRASA. Great news. Now all that remains is to do the work," said Governor Pedro Pierluisi on his social networks.

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